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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on January 2, 2007 is acknowledged.
- 2. Applicant requests that the newly cited US Patent 5,899,389 be listed on PTO Form 892. Applicant then argues that the prior Office action fails to comply with 35 U.S.C. 132 because the US Patents were not properly cited with sufficient specificity to allow applicants to adequately respond to the rejections. Applicant requests a non-final Office action that includes sufficient specificity of explanation of the application of the references to the claims. It is uncertain whether applicant's request is on the basis that the reference was not identified on PTO Form 892 or that paragraphs 5-8 of the prior Office action were inadequate. While PTO Form 892 was inadvertently omitted from the prior Office action, paragraphs 5-8 clearly identified the US Patents by inventor name and patent number. Additionally, each paragraph in the Office action clearly identified major elements of applicant's claims with a corresponding reference character from the US Patent being applied. The Office action fully complied with 35 U.S.C. 132. Future assertion, without merit, of Office action non compliance with 35 U.S.C. 132 will be ignored. Applicant's lengthy response and arguments are evidence that the references were cited with sufficient specificity to allow applicant to adequately respond. If applicant is incapable of reading his own claims, reading the explanations in the Office action, reading the references, and making a determination of the interpretation of the references in the Office action, applicant is encouraged to contact the examiner.

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Therefore, per MPEP 710.06, applicant is given one month time period for reply from the mailing date of this Office action which corrects the error of the omitted PTO Form 892. A PTO Form 892 listing the US Patent is included in this communication. No new non final Office action will be provided. Since applicant asserts that applicant has not been given an opportunity to adequately respond, presumably because of the previously omitted PTO Form 892, applicant's reply must be considered to be not fully responsive.

3. Applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher S. Kim whose telephone number is (571) 272-4905. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday, 6:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kevin Shaver can be reached on (571) 272-4720. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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